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Title: A METHOD AND APPARATUS )  
FOR THE TRANSFERRING OF A )  
FLEXIBLE MATERIAL WEB )

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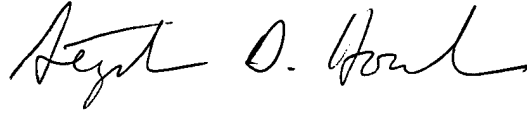
Applicant wishes to bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents identified on the attached form PTO-1449. Applicant respectfully requests that these documents be made of record in the present application.

German Document No. DE 200 11 943 U1 relates to a device for transferring a flexible material web (10) specifically a paper or cardboard web from an upstream section (12) to at least one downstream section of a machine (18) for the production and/or processing of a material web (10), specifically a paper machine in which the material web (10) can be separated by means of two separation elements (20, 22) into an edge strip (24) extending in the direction of web travel (L) and into a transfer strip (26) bordering onto the edge strip, as well as into the remaining web (28) bordering onto this transfer strip (26), characterized in that a guide device (14) is provided in order to redirect the edge strip (24) sideways away from the transfer strip (26), generally in transverse direction to the direction of web travel (L), in order to simultaneously tighten the edge strip.

A copy of each of these documents can be found in the parent application, i.e., U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/902,339.

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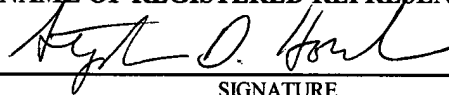
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